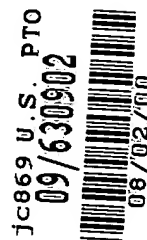


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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In order to comply with 37 CFR Sections 1.97 and 1.98, a copy of Form PTO-1449 and copies of the documents listed on it are attached.

In accordance with MPEP Sections 609 and 707.05(b), Applicant respectfully requests that each document listed be given thorough consideration and that the Examiner cite each document of record in the prosecution history of the present application by initialing Form PTO-1449 next to each document. Applicant requests such initialing even if the Examiner does not consider: (1) a listed document to be sufficiently pertinent to use in a rejection; (2) a document to be prior art for any reason; or (3) that the guidelines for citation have been fully complied with respecting a particular document. Applicant makes this request so that each document becomes cited on the face of a patent issuing on the present application. Each of the cited references relate generally to ducts devices and/or methods for their forming.

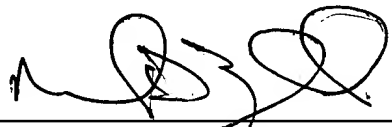
Applicant submits the present Information Disclosure Statement in compliance with the duty to disclose information material to patentability under 37 CFR Section 1.56, but by listing such documents Applicant is not admitting that such documents are necessarily

relevant or prior art. Applicant intends no representation that the listed documents represent the results of a complete search. Applicant anticipates that the Examiner, in the normal course of examination, will make an independent search to determine the best prior art consistent with 37 CFR Sections 1.104(a) and 1.106(b) and, in the course of such search, will review for relevance every document listed on the attached Form even if not initialed.

Applicant earnestly solicits early and favorable consideration. If the Examiner should have any questions with regard to this filing, he or she should contact the undersigned attorney at the address or telephone number indicated below

Respectfully submitted,

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